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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement, mailed on October 3, 2003, the period for response to which is set to expire on November 3, 2003, Applicant hereby elects Group I, without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

The Examiner has required a restriction between the following groups:

Group I: Claims 1-28 drawn to a method in a controlling dispensing access control, classified in class 700, subclass 237;

Group II: Claims 29-41 drawn to a method of billing restaurant customers, classified in class 705;

Group III: Claims 142-53, drawn to a device for distributed remote control of dispensing apparatus, classified in class 700 subclass 242; and

Group IV: Claims 54-62, drawn to a dispenser monitoring apparatus, classified in class 700, subclass 244.

Applicants elect the claims of Group I, *with traverse*, i.e., claims 1-28, for prosecution in the instant application. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications for the subject matter covered by the remaining groups. The inventor for the invention of the elected claims is the same as the inventor of record in the application.